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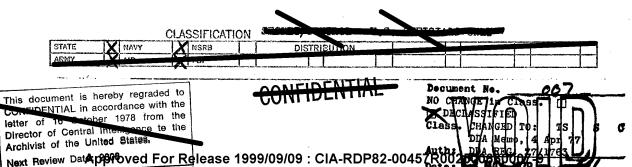
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- In most of these areas inside former Republican territory, Republican currency was still in use.
- Guerrilla units were encountered everywhere from Jogjakarta to Batavia. The lieutenant was met in every village by a representative of the TNI. The guerrillas were forming special units near strategic places on highways and railways and their specific task will be to carry out sabotage.
- Most of the Siliwangi Division had returned to West Java. They were better equipped than they had been and were giving extra arms captured on the return trip to villagers. The discipline of this division was good and rigid steps were being taken against soldiers who tried to rob in the areas they passed through. So far there had been no friction between the troops and the population. The people had been friendly and helpful in obtaining food and shelter. They also reported on the location of Dutch troops.
- The health in general of the troops had not been too good because of a shortage of medicine and doctors. There was one medical assistant for each unit (the number of persons per unit was not stated).
- The number killed and wounded among the TNI and guerrilla units had been small. Casualties had been considerable among the ordinary natives in areas where fighting had occurred.
- Many villages along the route were deserted because of Dutch air bombing. In many places, as a result of the Dutch air activity, the roads had large craters.
- 7. The spirit of resistance among the natives in former Dutch-occupied territory was greater than it was in former Republican territory.



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- 8. Many villages were planting extra gardens for the use of the guerrilla troops. Contrary to Dutch reports, troops were not near starvation, but were well-fed.
- 9. The common people on both sides of the status quo line still looked to Sukarno and Hatta as their leaders.

